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**VIA ECF & FACSIMILE**

Hon. Laura Taylor Swain, U.S.D.J.  
United States District Court for the  
Southern District of New York  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl St. – Courtroom 12D  
New York, NY 10007-1312

**RE: John Doe v. Ejercito De Liberacion Nacional, et als.**  
**Civil Action No.: 1:15-cv-08652 (VEC)**

Dear Judge Swain:

Our office represents third-party respondent, American Life Insurance Company – Lebanon Branch incorrectly pleaded as “Metropolitan Life Insurance Company” (“Alico-Lebanon”) in connection with the above named matter. This matter is scheduled for a status conference on January 22, 2016 at 11 a.m. We would appreciate Your Honor accepting this correspondence as Alico-Lebanon’s request to appear by telephone for the status conference.

The reason for this request is that I have another telephone conference starting at 10:15 a.m. with respect to an action pending in the Middle District of Pennsylvania. There is no conflict between the two conferences if I attend both by telephone. However, the conferences conflict if I attend this conference in person given the Southern District of New York’s restrictions on bringing phones into the Courthouse.

We have consent of all other parties with respect to this request. Accordingly, we respectfully request that Alico-Lebanon be permitted to appear by telephone for the conference scheduled for January 22, 2016 at 11 a.m.

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We appreciate Your Honor accepting and considering this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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